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C O N F I D E N T I A L LAGOS 9782

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC SHUM NI  
SUBJECT: LEFEVRE CASE

REF: LAGOS 9777

1. ACCORDING TO RITTER, ROTIMI WILLIAMS WROTE ILORI, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS, AUGUST 5 TO INQUIRE WHETHER LEFEVRE WOULD NEED TO APPEAR IN COURT ON AUGUST 11. ILORI REPLIED AUGUST 7 THAT CASE CANNOT PROCEED ON AUGUST 11 SINCE HE HAS DECIDED "TO FILE AN INFORMATION IN THE CRIMINAL DIVISION OF THE HIGH COURT." ILORI SAID HE IS TAKING STEPS TO SECURE THE CONSENT OF THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF LAGOS STATE UNDER SECTION 340 (2) (B) OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE LAW FOR INFORMATION TO BE FILED WITHOUT PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION IN THIS CASE. THIS PROCEDURE WILL TAKE A FEW WEEKS TO COMPLETE, SO ILORI WILL ASK FOR A "FAIRLY LONG" ADJOURNMENT IN THE MAGISTRATE'S COURT. ILORI SAID IT WOULD THEREFORE BE UNNECESSARY FOR LEFEVRE TO TRAVEL TO NIGERIA AT PRESENT BUT TRUSTED THAT HE WOULD BE PRESENT AT THE CRIMINAL DIVISION OF THE HIGH COURT AT A LATER DATE WHEN INFORMATION IS FILED.

2. ACCORDING TO RITTER, ILORI TOLD WILLIAMS IN  
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STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THAT THE PROSECUTION WILL BE PROCEEDING AGAINST EGBE. THEIR ONLY INTEREST IN LEFEVRE IS TO ESTABLISH THAT HE HAD NO CONNECTION WITH MIAGIN ESTATES, EGBE'S COMPANY. IN TESTIFYING TO THIS EFFECT LEFEVRE WILL SIMPLY BE A WITNESS FOR THE PROSECUTION. ILORI HAS ASKED HOW MANY DAYS ADVANCED WARNING LEFEVRE WILL NEED IN ORDER TO APPEAR

HERE ON TIME.

3. RITTER WAS ENDEAVORING TO TELEPHONE THIS  
INFORMATION TO LEFEVRE OR SHELP AFTERNOON OF  
AUGUST 7.  
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